



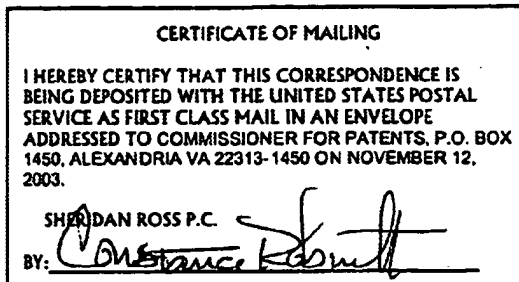
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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This Response is filed in reply to the Office Action mailed 18 August 2003 (Paper No. 13). This response is filed within the three month shortened statutory period. Applicants therefore believe this response is timely filed and no fees are due. In the event any fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

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